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H. R. 6325

To require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a plan to reduce the total amount of packaging used on consumer products in the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WEINER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Packaging Reduction
5 Act of 2008”.

6 **SEC. 2. PACKAGING REDUCTION.**

7 (a) NATIONAL CONSUMER PRODUCT PACKAGING RE-
8 DUCTION GOAL.—There is hereby established a national

1 consumer product packaging reduction goal to reduce the
2 total amount of packaging used on consumer products in
3 the United States to an amount that is at least 30 percent
4 below the amount used on the date of the enactment of
5 this Act.

6 (b) PLAN.—As soon after the enactment of this Act
7 as is practicable, the Administrator shall develop and im-
8 plement a plan to meet the national consumer product
9 packaging reduction goal within 10 years after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act. The plan shall include each
11 of the following:

12 (1) METHODS OF MEETING THE NATIONAL
13 CONSUMER PRODUCT PACKAGING REDUCTION
14 GOAL.—Methods of meeting the national consumer
15 product packaging reduction goal.

16 (2) METHODS OF MEASUREMENT.—Methods of
17 measuring the effectiveness of the plan in meeting
18 the national consumer product packaging reduction
19 goal.

20 (c) REGULATIONS.—The Administrator shall, after
21 giving the public adequate notice and an opportunity for
22 comment, prescribe regulations to carry out this Act.

23 (d) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this Act:

24 (1) CONSUMER PRODUCT; PACKAGING.—The
25 terms “consumer product” and “packaging” shall

1 have such meaning as the Administrator may pre-
2 scribe by rule.

3 (2) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-
4 trator” means the Administrator of the Environ-
5 mental Protection Agency.

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